

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 8 at line 6 to recite:

--R<sup>12'</sup> is (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>16</sub>) alkyl, branched alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, phenalkyl, or alkoxy or hydroxy, anhydride, or hydrogen, with the proviso that when R<sup>12'</sup> is not hydroxy, it is optionally linked to R<sup>12</sup> X<sup>12</sup> through a linker moiety L and wherein R<sup>12'</sup> is optionally terminally substituted with a therapeutic agent, wherein --

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 9 at line 9 to recite:

--R<sup>12'</sup> is (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>16</sub>) phenalkyl, or alkoxy or anhydride or hydroxy, with the proviso that when R<sup>12'</sup> is not hydroxy, it is optionally linked to R<sup>12</sup> X<sup>12</sup> through an ether oxygen and wherein R<sup>12'</sup> is optionally terminally substituted with a therapeutic agent;--

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 11 at line 7 to recite:

--R<sup>12'</sup> is (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>16</sub>) alkyl, branched alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, phenalkyl, or alkoxy or hydroxy, anhydride, or hydrogen, with the proviso that when R<sup>12'</sup> is not hydroxy, it is optionally linked to R<sup>12</sup> X<sup>12</sup> through a linker moiety L and wherein R<sup>12'</sup> is optionally terminally substituted with a therapeutic agent, wherein --

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 12 at line 11 to recite:

--R<sup>12'</sup> is (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>16</sub>) alkyl, branched alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, phenalkyl, or alkoxy or hydroxy, anhydride, or hydrogen, with the proviso that when R<sup>12'</sup> is not hydroxy, it is optionally linked to R<sup>12</sup> X<sup>12</sup> through a linker moiety L and wherein R<sup>12'</sup> is optionally terminally substituted with a therapeutic agent, wherein --

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 13 at line 15 to recite:

--R<sup>12'</sup> is (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>16</sub>) alkyl, branched alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, phenalkyl, or alkoxy or hydroxy, anhydride, or hydrogen, with the proviso that when R<sup>12'</sup> is not hydroxy, it is optionally linked to R<sup>12</sup> X<sup>12</sup> through a linker moiety L and wherein R<sup>12'</sup> is optionally terminally substituted with a therapeutic agent, wherein --

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 14 at line 15 to page 15 at line 3 to recite:

--R<sup>12'</sup> is (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>16</sub>) alkyl, branched alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, phenalkyl, or alkoxy or hydroxy, anhydride, or hydrogen, with the proviso that when R<sup>12'</sup> is not hydroxy, it is optionally linked to R<sup>12</sup> X<sup>+2</sup> through a linker moiety L and wherein R<sup>12'</sup> is optionally terminally substituted with a therapeutic agent, wherein --

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 16 at line 3 to recite:

--R<sup>12'</sup> is (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>16</sub>) alkyl, branched alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, phenalkyl, or alkoxy or hydroxy, anhydride, or hydrogen, with the proviso that when R<sup>12'</sup> is not hydroxy, it is optionally linked to R<sup>12</sup> X<sup>+2</sup> through a linker moiety L and wherein R<sup>12'</sup> is optionally terminally substituted with a therapeutic agent, wherein --

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 17 at line 6 to recite:

--R<sup>12'</sup> is (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>16</sub>) phenalkyl, or alkoxy or anhydride or hydroxy, with the proviso that when R<sup>12'</sup> is not hydroxy, it is optionally linked to R<sup>12</sup> X<sup>+2</sup> through an ether oxygen and wherein R<sup>12'</sup> is optionally terminally substituted with a therapeutic agent;--

Replace the paragraph beginning on page 32 at line 4 to recite:

--R<sup>12'</sup> is (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>16</sub>) alkyl, branched alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, phenalkyl, or alkoxy or hydroxy, anhydride, or hydrogen, with the proviso that when R<sup>12'</sup> is not hydroxy, it is optionally linked to R<sup>12</sup> X<sup>+2</sup> through a linker moiety L and wherein R<sup>12'</sup> is optionally terminally substituted with a therapeutic agent, wherein --